CLAIMS

1. A norbornene derivative represented by the following formula (Im):

$$R^1$$
 R^2
 R^3
 R^6
 $CH_2)_u$
 R^4
 R^5
 R^7
 R^7
 R^9
 R^9
 R^9

- 5 wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group,
 - s, t and u are each independently an integer of 0 to $\!\!\!$ 3, and

 \boldsymbol{m} and \boldsymbol{n} are each independently an integer of 0 to 2.

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2. The norbornene derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein in the formula (Im), n is 0 and m is 0 or 1.

- 3. The norbornene derivative as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein in the formula (Im), u is 0 or 1.
- 4. The norbornene derivative as claimed in claim 1, wherein in the formula (Im), n is 1 or 2, s and t are each 1, and u is 0 or 1.
- 5. The norbornene derivative as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein in the formula (Im), 3 or more of \mathbb{R}^8 and 3 or more of \mathbb{R}^9 are each a hydrogen atom.
 - 6. A norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer having structural units (I) represented by the following formula (I):

$$R^4$$
 R^5
 R^5
 R^7
 R^6
 R^6
 $R^8)_4$
 $R^8)_4$

(I)

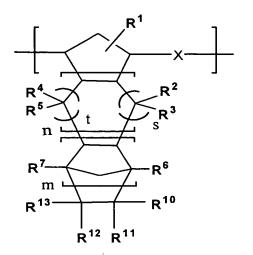
wherein m and n are each independently an integer of 0 to 2,

X is a group represented by the formula -CH=CH- or a group represented by the formula -CH2CH2-,

- R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group, and
 - s, t and u are each independently an integer of ${\tt 0}$ to ${\tt 3}.$
- 7. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as claimed in claim 6, wherein the structural units (I) are contained in amounts of not less than 2% by mol of all structural units.
- 20 8. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as claimed in claim 6 or 7, which further has structural units (II) represented by the following formula (II):

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(II)

wherein m and n are each independently an integer of 0 to 2,

X is a group represented by the formula -CH=CH- or a group represented by the formula -CH $_2$ CH $_2$ -,

R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group,

R¹⁰, R¹¹, R¹² and R¹³ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a

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sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group, they may be bonded to each other to form a monocyclic or polycyclic group which may have a hetero atom, and R^{10} and R^{11} , or R^{12} and R^{13} may be united to form a divalent

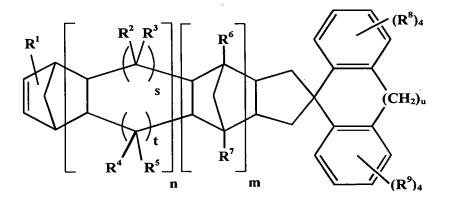
- 5 hydrocarbon group, and
 - s and t are each independently an integer of 0 to 3.
- 9. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as claimed in claim 8, wherein the structural units (II) are contained in amounts of not more than 98% by mol of all structural units.
 - 10. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as claimed in any one of claims 6 to 9, wherein the total amount of the structural units (I) and the structural units (II) is not less than 5% by mol of all structural units.
- 11. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as
 20 claimed in any one of claims 6 to 10, wherein X in an amount of not less than 90% by mol of the total amount of X in the structural units (I) and the structural units
 (II) is a group represented by -CH₂CH₂-.

12. The norbornene ring-opened (co)polymer as claimed in any one of claims 6 to 11, wherein the structural units (I) are structural units of the formula (I) in which m is 0, n is 0, and u is 0.

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13. A process for preparing a norbornene ringopened (co)polymer, comprising ring-opening
(co)polymerizing a norbornene monomer (Im) represented by
the following formula (Im) optionally together with a
norbornene monomer (IIm) represented by the following
formula (IIm);



(Im)

wherein m and n are each independently an integer of 0 to 2,

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R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an

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oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group, and

s, t and u are each independently an integer of 0 to 3;

$$R^{1}$$
 R^{2}
 R^{3}
 R^{10}
 R^{10}
 R^{11}
 R^{12}
 R^{4}
 R^{5}
 R^{5}
 R^{7}
 R^{13}

(IIm)

wherein m and n are each independently an integer of 0 to 2,

R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group,

15 R¹⁰, R¹¹, R¹² and R¹³ are each independently an atom or a group selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted hydrocarbon group of 1 to 30 carbon atoms which may have a linkage containing an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a

sulfur atom or a silicon atom, and a polar group, they may be bonded to each other to form a monocyclic or polycyclic group which may have a hetero atom, and R^{10} and R^{11} , or R^{12} and R^{13} may be united to form a divalent hydrocarbon group, and

s and t are each independently an integer of 0 to 3.

opened (co)polymer as claimed in claim 13, comprising

ring-opening (co)polymerizing the norbornene monomer (Im)
represented by the formula (Im) optionally together with
the norbornene monomer (IIm) represented by the formula

(IIm) and then hydrogenating the resulting (co)polymer.

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